

**Public Meeting on Final Draft Management Plan
Public Reserved Lands within the Downeast Region**

The Maine Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands will hold a public meeting on December 12, 2006, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Cherryfield (Route 193, North Main Street), to review and hear public comment on its Final Draft Management Plan for Public Reserved Lands in the Downeast Region.

This Plan provides resource information and management recommendations for Bureau managed properties within the coastal and interior portions of the Hancock and Washington Counties, including the Donnell Pond, Rocky Lake, and Cutler Coast Units, the Great Heath, and scattered public lots in Osborn, Marion Township, Number 14 Township, Number 21 Township, and T24 MD.

The Plan process began in 2003 with a focus on the Donnell Pond Unit, and was later expanded to include the other properties within the region. The process involved scheduling various meetings to gather public comment on the management of recreation, wildlife, special resource protection, and timber on those lands

The Plan may be viewed or downloaded from the Bureau website, at <http://www.state.me.us/doc/parks/programs/planning/Downeast/index.html>. Written comments, by postal mail or email, will be accepted through December 27th, 2006. Send comments to, or request a copy of the plan from John Titus, Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands, 22 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333, (207) 287-4916, john.titus@maine.gov.